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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

This paper is being filed before an office action on the merits. It is submitted that none of the below amendments introduce new matter. Examination of this case is therefore respectfully requested in light of the following amendments.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please amend the Abstract so as to read as follows:

A fastener installing device that permits fastener members to be quickly and easily installed in respective holding parts located within a mold for a molded body. The fastener installing device includes a body capable of being operated by a hand and three attaching sections provided on the body. During a fastener installing operation, the attaching sections are individually engaged with the plurality of fastener members, and act to push the respective bases and engaging elements of the fastener members into the respective grooves of the corresponding holding parts. The first attaching section can shift substantially in the vertical direction in relation to the bottom surface of the support frame, when the body is transferred along the holding parts. Each of a pair of second attaching sections can shift substantially in the horizontal direction in relation to the bottom surface of a support frame and also can rotate about an axis extending substantially in the vertical direction, when the body is transferred along the holding parts.

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